



## DECLARATION AND POWER OF ATTORNEY

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I believe I am the original, first and sole inventor (if only one name is listed below) or an original, first and joint inventor (if plural names are listed below) of the subject matter which is claimed and for which a patent is sought on the invention entitled COMPACT LOW NO<sub>x</sub> GAS BURNER APPARATUS AND METHODS, the specification of which (check one)

☐ is attached hereto.

☒ was filed on March 9, 2004 as Application Serial No. 10/796,740 and was amended on \_\_\_\_\_ if applicable).

I hereby state that I have reviewed and understand the contents of the above-identified application, including the claims, as amended by any amendment referred to above.

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I hereby claim the benefit under Title 35, United States Code, § 119(e) of the United States provisional application listed below.

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(Filing Date)

I hereby claim the benefit under 35 U.S.C. § 120 of any United States application(s), or § 365(c) of any PCT international application designating the United States of America, listed below and, insofar as the subject matter of each of the claims of this application is not disclosed in the prior United States or PCT international application in the manner provided by the first paragraph of 35 U.S.C. § 112, I acknowledge the duty to disclose to the U.S. Patent and Trademark Office all information known to me to be material to patentability as defined in 37 C.F.R. § 1.56 which became available between the filing date of the prior application and the national or PCT international filing date of this application.

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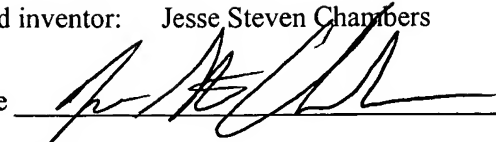
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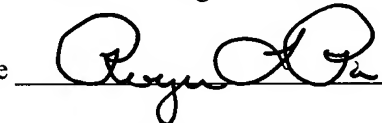
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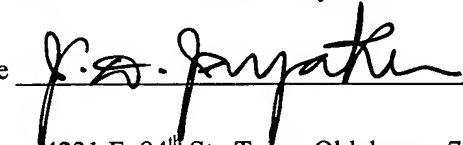
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Michael G. Claxton; Marianne Zimola; Darin Robert FooteApplication No./Patent No.: 10/796,740 Filed/Issue Date: March 9, 2004Entitled: COMPACT LOW NOX GAS BURNER APPARATUS AND METHODSJohn Zink Company, LLC, a limited liability company  
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**ASSIGNMENT**

WHEREAS, we, **I-Ping Chung, Carol Ann Schnepfer, Jaiwant D. Jayakaran, Michael G. Claxton, and Darin Robert Foote** of Tulsa, Oklahoma, **Marianne Zimola** of Owasso, Oklahoma, **Roger L. Poe** of Beggs, Oklahoma, **Jesse Steven Chambers** of Skiatook, Oklahoma, and **Richard T. Waibel** of Broken Arrow, Oklahoma, have made a certain invention entitled **COMPACT LOW NO<sub>x</sub> GAS BURNER APPARATUS AND METHODS** for which application for United States Letters Patent was filed March 9, 2004, and assigned U.S. Serial No. 10/796,740 preparatory to obtaining United States Letters Patent therefor, and

WHEREAS, **John Zink Company, LLC**, a limited liability company existing under and by virtue of the laws of the State of Delaware, and having a place of business in Tulsa, County of Tulsa, State of Oklahoma, is desirous of acquiring all right, title and interest in and to said invention in **COMPACT LOW NO<sub>x</sub> GAS BURNER APPARATUS AND METHODS** above-identified, in and to any Letters Patent that may be granted therefor in the United States and in any and all foreign countries;

NOW, THEREFORE, in consideration of the sum of One Dollar (\$1.00) to us in hand paid, the receipt of which is hereby acknowledged, and other good and valuable consideration, we, **I-Ping Chung, Jesse Steven Chambers, Carol Ann Schnepfer, Roger L. Poe, Jaiwant D. Jayakaran, Richard T. Waibel, Michael G. Claxton, Marianne Zimola and Darin Robert Foote**, have sold, assigned and transferred, and by these presents do sell, assign and transfer unto said **John Zink Company, LLC**, the full and exclusive right to the said invention in the United States and its territorial possessions and in all foreign countries and the entire right, title and interest in and to any and all Letters Patent which may be granted therefor in the United States and its

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territorial possessions and in any and all foreign countries and in and to any and all divisions, reissues, continuations and extensions thereof.

We hereby authorize and request the Patent Office Officials in the United States and in any and all foreign countries to issue any and all of said Letters Patent, when granted, to said John Zink Company, LLC, as the assignee of our entire right, title and interest in and to the same, for the sole use and enjoyment of said John Zink Company, LLC, its successors and assigns.

Further, we agree that we will communicate to said John Zink Company, LLC, or its representatives any facts known to us respecting said invention, and testify in any legal proceedings, sign all lawful papers, execute all divisions, continuation, substitution, renewal and reissue applications, execute all necessary assignment papers to cause any and all of said Letters Patent to be issued to said John Zink Company, LLC, make all rightful oaths and generally do everything necessary or desirable to aid said John Zink Company, LLC, its successors and assigns, to obtain and enforce proper protection for said invention, in the United States and in any and all foreign countries.

Executed by the undersigned on the date indicated.

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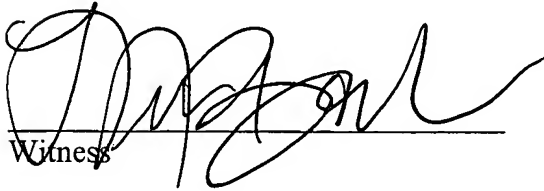
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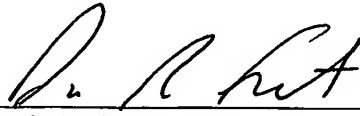
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